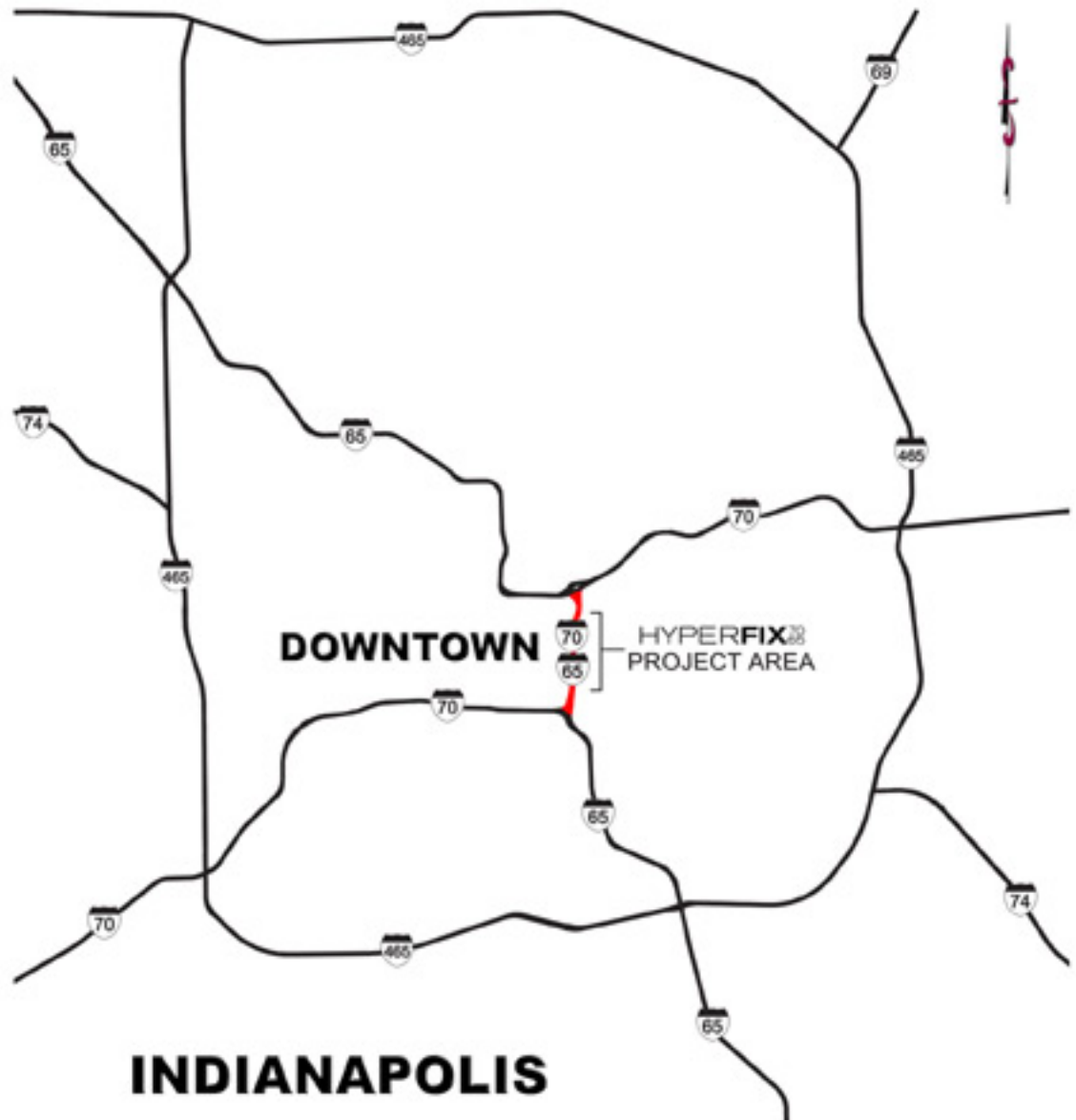


# Facts-at-a-Glance

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## Project Benefits

Hyperfix 65/70 is designed to make quality repairs and infrastructure improvements in as little time as possible. The Indiana Department of Transportation will use cutting-edge methods and materials so road builders can get in and get out, an approach designed to help alleviate motorists' frustration with work-related road or lane closures. Before the Hyperfix 65/70 shutdown, repairs will be made on city streets. Signage will also help motorists determine which routes they can take to reach their destination.



- Hyperfix 65/70 will improve safety, provide safer bridges and highways and extend merge lanes to limit traffic congestion.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will add at least 10 to 15 years of service life to the combined stretch of I-65/I-70.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will save Indiana taxpayers more than \$1 million (in lost wages, lost productivity, etc.) for each day that traditional construction would add to the project.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will provide a safe work environment for construction workers and those using alternative routes and detours associated with the shutdown.

- INDOT will work with commuters, nearby communities and businesses, and interstate travelers to answer questions and provide information on road closures, detours and alternative routes.

## **Repairs**

Hyperfix 65/70 will begin May 26 and reopen Aug. 19, 2003. These are the repairs that will be made:

- Hyperfix 65/70 will rehabilitate 33 bridge decks on a stretch of highway that combines I-70 and I-65.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will rehabilitate pavement on approximately 35 lane miles of highway.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will add a travel lane for I-70 eastbound traffic beginning on the ramp from Pine Street and connecting to an existing eastbound lane on I-70 between Lewis Street and Dr. AJ Brown Avenue.
- Hyperfix 65/70 will widen the south split on I-65/I-70, adding 4,000 feet of merge lanes extending south to the Raymond Street ramp.

## **Timing**

During Hyperfix 65/70, no major restrictions are scheduled for I-465. Project engineers will be able to reroute traffic and provide for detours that will ease congestion.

- Pre-closure work on I-65 and I-70 will be necessary to prepare for mainline closure -all lanes shall be open to normal traffic between the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 pm.
- The shutdown will begin May 26 and reopen Aug. 19, 2003.
- The 85 days of closure includes weekends, which means only 62 weekdays of closure.
- The work happens around the clock – 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Contractors will get in and get out to reduce lane closures and emergency repairs in the years to come.

## **Resources**

You can get quick, easily understandable information about the project and alternate routes by:

- visiting [Detours and Road Closures](#) and downloading traffic maps.
  - calling the Hyperfix 65/70 information line at (317) 234-7065.
  - [subscribing to our e-mail notification list](#) for traffic updates and alerts.
  - [Unsubscribe](#) to our e-mail notification list
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## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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**Who's in charge of this project?**

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Hyperfix 65/70 is an Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) project. American Consulting, Inc. (ACE) has been hired by INDOT to help design and plan for the construction. INDOT and ACE are working with city officials and several organizations to inform motorists, neighborhoods and businesses of construction and alternative routes.

**What's wrong with I-65/I-70 that it needs repairs now?**

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It's a matter of public safety.

Every day, 175,000 cars and trucks use the stretch of highway that combines I-70 and I-65 from "splits" north and south of downtown Indianapolis. In recent years, this vital stretch, built more than 25 years ago, has required many emergency repairs. And even more are expected.

Repairs now ensure safe travel and minimize the risk of more accidents, more emergency repairs and more construction. Repairs will include restoring and supporting bridge decks, widening lanes and resurfacing the deteriorated highway.

## **Why is the shutdown the best option?**

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Hyperfix 65/70 is the most efficient and cost-effective option. Otherwise, necessary repairs would close only a few lanes at a time, take months longer, cost taxpayers millions more, extend the risk of motorist and construction-related accidents, and cause traffic slow-downs and driver frustrations to drag on and on.

Hyperfix 65/70 also will save taxpayers the cost of an extended construction season and more than \$1 million in lost wages and productivity for each day that traditional construction would add.

## **What repairs will be made and what benefits can I expect?**

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The repairs also will:

- improve safety, provide safer bridges and highways, and extend merge lanes to limit traffic congestion.
- save Indiana taxpayers more than \$1 million (in lost wages, lost productivity, etc.) for

each day that traditional construction would add to the project.

- make the combined stretch of I-65/I-70 inner loop road last 10 to 15 years longer.

## **How do I find the best alternatives to get downtown?**

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The Hyperfix 65/70 Web site provides maps, timelines, road closure and detour updates, directions and contacts.

[Click here](#) to view a map of road closures and detours. You also can e-mail maps and directions to others who may be joining you for special events or meetings downtown.

Also, you can [click here](#) to visit the *The Indianapolis Star's* Commuting section, updated every Monday. It may provide information on Hyperfix 65/70 and other transportation issues that may affect your travel.

## **Who do I contact if I have any concerns or questions? Where do I go for more information?**

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If you have questions, concerns or need more information, [click here](#).

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## **Information Resources**

The Indiana Department of Transportation is working with city officials and several organizations to inform motorists, neighborhoods and businesses of construction and alternative routes. Many of the resources below also will answer questions and provide information.

This Web site provides maps, timelines, road closure and detour updates, directions and contacts for Hyperfix 65/70. You also can [contact a project representative](#), ask questions and [get information via e-mail](#).

**Electronic Dynamic Message Signs** – These portable electronic signs, located throughout the construction area, display messages that give information about road closures, detours, alternative routes and traffic conditions. They are updated as needed.

**Construction and detour signs** – Fixed signs are posted along the interstate to indicate road closures, detours and alternative routes along I-65/I-70.

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## Public Involvement

The Indiana Department of Transportation is committed to keeping the public informed about this and other highway projects that affect travel. INDOT believes it's important to share as much information as possible with those who live and work in downtown Indianapolis, and those who enjoy Indianapolis for business or leisure.

### Neighborhood and community meetings

INDOT will communicate with neighborhood associations and community organizations to discuss what's being done to minimize the effects of construction and ensure public safety. These meetings also will offer resources, answer questions and get feedback. If you'd like to participate in one of these meetings, please [contact us](#) for more information.

To register for project updates, [click here](#).

To [Unsubscribe](#) from project updates

### Stakeholder meetings

Emergency management officials, elected officials, community leaders, civic organizations and event planners also will be affected by construction work. INDOT has been meeting with these stakeholders throughout the planning period and will continue to share information as construction gets underway.

### Group presentations

Project members would be happy to make presentations about Hyperfix 65/70 to neighborhood, civic and business groups whose activities, members or employees are significantly affected by construction.

To arrange a presentation, call (317) 232-5533 or send us an [e-mail](#).

### Media

INDOT works closely with the news media to make sure travelers have the best information to safely navigate construction projects throughout the state and the City of Indianapolis. News releases on road closures, detours and alternative routes will be distributed to area television stations, newspapers and radio stations. [Click here](#) to see what's new.

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